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## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR WINNERS!!!

Our Prizeplattling Schuhplattler Team placed First at the Gaufest Competition in St. Paul, Minnesota, and our Major Soccer Team are the Open Cup Champions of the U.S. Amateur Cup and also the Runner-up of the Men's Amateur Cup.



### PREISPLATTLING TEAM

John Reiter—Karen David  
John M. Blank—Janet Malofiy  
Sasha Malofiy—Susan Hartmann  
Rolf Stielow—Lisa Fricker  
John Hubert—Connie Reiter



Saint Louis, Missouri  
July 16, 17 and 18

### MAJOR SOCCER TEAM

#### ALTERNATES:

Bill Simon—Chris Tokarski

#### COACH:

Marlene Blank

#### ACCORDIONIST:

Jack Mattes

Mike Curley,

Kurt Schmidt,

Bob Wilkinson (Coach),

Pat McCallion,

Alex Peev, Ed Woehicke,

Harold Ivery, Pat Morris,

Cesido Colasante, Robert Henes,

Ray DeStephanis,

Paul Centofanti (Captain),

Joe Veneziale, Dave Steinbach,

Terry Malone, Rich Million, Mark Eckert,

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## OUR TRIP TO ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA AND FIRST PRIZE IN THE PLATTLING COMPETITION

Eighty-six members of the United German Hungarians including our Schulplattler Group and their families, friends and fans traveled to St. Paul Minnesota on July 1st and 2nd to attend the 17th Gaufest of the Gauverband Nordamerika.

As in past Gaufest trips we took by plane, we once again ran into trouble. Remember the trip home from Vancouver, many of us had an unexpected overnight stay in Chicago; while on our trip to Milwaukee one flight was cancelled and some wound up on a bus from Chicago to Milwaukee.

The first flight on Thursday which carried most of our dancers, their children, families and friends was fine, but the next flight could not leave until 10 people got out of the plane. Finally ten had been found among them Marc Leonard and his friend Rich Melton. They wound up being on the runway for nine hours. Our third flight late in the afternoon was also stuck on the runway for a number of hours. All were thirsty, hungry, tired and reasonably upset. Everyone arrived safely and we were happy to be together. Those who arrived on Friday had no incidents.

Thanks to John M. Blank that we had such a large group with us at this fest. John always makes a special effort to round everyone up.

On Thursday, there was a Welcome Dance and we were soon tired and went to bed early. (Some that is.) On Friday there were various Workshops, Youth and Adult Dancing, Music and Song. At 8PM a Heimatabend was held. The various groups performed a dance and our Junior Group featuring Alex Blank, Danny Galgon, Brian Noel and Werner Fricker III performed the Bankel Tanz. They were outstanding and received a hearty applause. Then our entire Schplattler Group performed the Fahnen Tanz. Once again early to bed for our prizeplattling team. (Not for everyone.)

At approximately 9AM, we were assembled for the preisplatteln which was to begin at 9:30. We knew that our group was to be the first of eleven competitors. After the St. Paul Group performed the warm-up dance all was quiet as our group entered with five couples. They marched in, in perfect synchronization. They

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Sunday, September 19th  
Kirchweih Brunch followed by  
Traditional Kirchweih Festival

performed their dance with ease and confidence. If you have ever watched our dancers you know that they are a Class A Group, but on this day, at this time, they were just wonderful. They danced the dance of their lives. Many went out of the room to join the dancers in celebration but many stayed and watched the other ten groups perform. Now we had to wait until Sunday afternoon to find out who the winner was.

(to be continued)

# 1999 USASA NATIONAL CUP FINALS

**MAJORS ARE OPEN CUP  
CHAMPIONS OF THE U.S.  
AMATEUR SOCCER,  
ALSO RUNNER-UP IN THE U.S.  
AMATEUR CUP**

A group of about fifty, including players, their families, club officials and fans left on two flights from Philadelphia on Thursday, July 15th to attend the USASA National Cup Finals which were held in St. Louis, Missouri on July 16, 17 and 18. They arrived without incident, and settled in at the Holiday Inn in West Port. After the team had a run around West Port, Bob Wilkinson, Mike Curley, Werner Fricker, Jr., John Koschewitz, Claudio Tovaruela attended a Coaches Meeting where schedules, rules, and colors were finalized.

It had been decided that the team and their coaches, 23 in total, were to have breakfast together at 6:30AM on Friday morning. At 6:25AM, all were ready and waiting for their morning feast.

Then on the to 9AM game — UGH vs. Los Lobos, Oklahoma, in the Open Semi-Final. We won this game 7 to 2. The team then returned to the hotel and after lunch and a short rest the bus brought them to the field to play the Amateur Semi-Final at 5PM. We defeated the McCormick kickers of Florida with a score of 3 to 2. The referees were mostly from the midwest and south. There were no referees from the home region — Region 3.

Saturday, our teams was able to relax until the 3PM game versus Milwaukee Bavarians in the Open Final. It was a very close game and in spite of the fact that 2 of our players received red cards and were sent off the field, we won the Open Cup Championship of the U.S. Amateur Soccer with a score of 2 to 1.

Naturally the team and the fans celebrated always mindful that on Sunday we were to play the Michigan Arsenal in the Men's Amateur Cup. As the game progressed it was obvious that both teams were pretty evenly matched. With 30 seconds game time left, our team tied to end 4 to 4. Unfortunately in overtime we lost 7 to 5. But that still left us the Runner-up to the U.S. Amateur Cup.

We congratulate these fine young men and appreciate their efforts on behalf of our club.

## SUNDAY BRUNCH

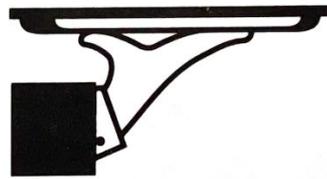
First Sunday of Each Month  
Sunday, August 1st

**Please Note:** There will be no Brunch on September 5th since the club is closed for the holiday.

## KIRCHWEIH BRUNCH

Sunday, September 19th

Join us for this delicious Brunch and enjoy an afternoon of camaraderie with your family and friends at our annual traditional Kirchweih.



## CLUB NIGHT

Second Friday of Each Month  
**Special Club Night — Beach Party  
on Friday, August 13th**

Next Club Night will be on September 9th.

## MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

Third Wednesday of Each Month  
Luncheons will be on  
**August 18th and September 15th**



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- 1) United German Hungarians, Oakford, PA
- 2) Gemuetlichen Enzianer, Maspeth, NY
- 3) TEV Edelweiss, Denver, Co
- 4) Bayern Verein Newark, Newark, NJ
- 5) STV Bavaria, Cleveland, OH
- 6) SW Original Enzian, Glendale, NY
- 7) SVEV D'Oberlandler, Milwaukee, WI
- 8) HSV Bavaria, West Haven, CT
- 9) BSC Holzackerbuan, Toledo, OH
- 10) BGTEV D'Werdenfelser, Sheyboygan, WI
- 11) BC Edelweiss, Westchester, NY

# NATIONAL CUP SOCCER SCORES OPEN CUP

UGH vs. Los Lobos, OK (6 to 2)

Goals Scored By:  
 Cesidio Colasante (6 minutes)  
 Ray DeStephanis (15 minutes)  
 Pat McCallion (41 minutes)  
 Terry Mallone (43 minutes)  
 Pat Morris (51 minutes)  
 Dan Murtaugh (72 minutes)

UGH vs. Bavarian Leinenkugel  
 (Milwaukee Bavarians) (2 to 1)

Goals Scored By:  
 Pat Morris (8 minutes)  
 Ray DeStephanis (14 minutes)

# AMATEUR CUP

UGH vs. McCormick Kickers, FL (3 to 2)

Goals Scored By:  
 Dave Steinbach (5 minutes)  
 Dave Steinbach (16 minutes)  
 Ray DeStephanis (65 minutes)

UGH vs. Michigan Arsenal (5 to 7)

Goals Scored By:  
 Alex Peev (34 minutes)  
 Robert Henes (43 minutes)  
 Cesidio Colasante (52 minutes)  
 Robert Henes (93 minutes)

# OVERTIME

Ray DeStephanis (14 minutes)

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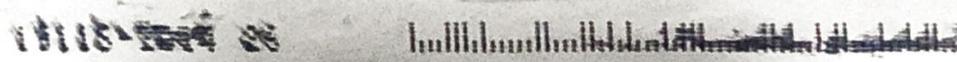
  
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## SUNDAY BRUNCH

First Sunday of Each Month

**Sunday, October 3rd**

**Please Note:** There will be no Brunch on September 5th since the club is closed for the holiday.

## SPECIAL BRUNCH

**Sunday, September 19th**

**Kirchweih Brunch**

**Sunday, October 17th**

**Halloween Brunch**

Join us on these dates for this delicious Brunch and enjoy an afternoon of camaraderie with your family and friends

## CLUB NIGHT

Second Friday of Each Month

**Friday, September 10th**

Next Club Night will be on November 12th.

## MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

Third Wednesday of Each Month

Luncheons will be on

**September 15th and October 20th**

## A VICTORY CELEBRATION

**Friday, October 8th**

for Our Gold Medal Winners

The German Hungarian  
Schuhplattler Group

and

The German Hungarian  
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## SCHUHPLATTLER STIFTUNGSFEST

**Saturday, October 30**

(More Info Next Month)

## Kirchweih '99

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on

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**OUR TRIP TO  
ST. PAUL,  
MINNESOTA AND  
FIRST PRIZE IN THE  
PLATTLING  
COMPETITION**

*(Continued from August Issue)*

We had a busy day on Saturday. After attending a Bauernmesse which was held at the Radison Hotel where we were staying, we marched to the music of the Blass Kapelle Pahl to the Gaufest Banquet which was to be held at the Convention Center. On the way, the entire group of over 1000 people performed the Massenplattler in a city square. After the Parade of Flags, a delicious German dinner was served.

On Sunday, we headed for the buses which were to take us to an especially erected tent for the Picnic. Up until this point all events except the March on Saturday, were held indoors in air conditioned facilities. Now you would think that we Pennsylvanians would be used to hot, humid weather, but this was horrid. Many were soaked with faces as red as beets. But we needed to persevere to find out who the top dancers were. After lunch, at approximately 3 PM an announcement was made. It has been the custom in the past to announce fifth prize winner and then they perform their winning dance. And so it continues up to First Prize. Because of the heat, it was decided that all five groups would be announced and then each would perform.

The announcement began - Fifth Prize went to STV Bavaria of Cleveland, Ohio; Fourth Prize to Bayern Verein, Newark, NJ; Third Prize - TEV Edelweiss, Denver, Colorado; and Second Prize to Gemuetlichen Enzianer of Maspeth, NY. Now they made believe that they dropped the paper with the name of the First Prize. Our minds were a whirl! Could it be? The top teams had already been called, - and then the announcement "and First Prize - The United German Hungarians." Pandemonium reigned. You had to be there to appreciate the scene. All in that tent gave a rousing applause, while we, the German Hungarians were in shock as we kissed and hugged each other while smiling and crying. To achieve First Prize had been our dream since we first competed in Parsippany, NJ in 1989. After all the prize winners had performed their winning dance numbers our group was on stage to accept the "Wander Prize" trophy. Our president, Werner Fricker, Jr. took the microphone and in an emotional voice thanked all who had helped in any way. He said, "When John (Blank) and I were little boys we sat and watched the Philadelphia Almrausch and they inspired us. Then we were pulled to another level when the Auerhahn of Oley sponsored us to the Gauverband. We have 85 people here and 355

more at home and we are not Bavarians but German Hungarians and proud of it. I am so proud of this group." Upon arriving back at the hotel, the Schuhplattler coach Marlene Blank was presented her gold medal by her brother, Werner Fricker, Jr. Marlene then presented each dancer with their gold medal and said a few words about each. The alternate dancers also received pins as well as the accordianist. The final pin was presented to Andy Weyershaeuser who was the original Schuhplattler teacher who instilled his love and knowledge of this dance form to the youth of our club. Many of us stayed for an extra day to celebrate the holiday. We had a great time attending the "Taste of Minnesota" festival and enjoyed the very special fireworks celebrating 150 Years of the founding of St. Paul.

We are all looking forward to Gemuetlichen Enzianer's Gaufest Odyssey at the Nevele Resort in New York on July 5 to July 8 in 2001.

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(Men) same as above  
Sunday Same as on Friday  
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**Saturday, September 25th**  
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Kichweih or call at 215-643-1962.

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# USASA NATIONAL CUP FINALS — 1999



## IN RETROSPECT (A PERSONAL OBSERVATION)

I am reasonably sure that by now most members and friends of the United G.H. are aware that the month of July 1999 was probably the most exciting and eventful time period in the 89 year club's history.

Attending 3 weekends of soccer and dancing competitions and observing our young men and women in action, accumulating 3 first places and 1 second place spots in the United States left me personally in awe.

Our Schuhplattler dancers had to perform first in the competition. I had seen enough to be convinced that there was no stopping them. After the performance I saw the look of pride on their faces knowing they had done well. I had to wait until Sunday afternoon for the official announcement declaring our group (what I already knew or "hoped") the winner of first place in the United States.

There are 80 plus groups that form the North America Gau who all have the same opportunity to enter the competition. That some choose not to enter is their prerogative but makes me believe we won first place in the U.S. "Wow". The tears of joy could be seen on the faces of many of the dancers and fans and needless to say that it was properly celebrated afterwards. They shall and I am sure they will carry their first prize medals with pride and dignity for this memory will be with them for the rest of their lives.

The following week I attended the Pa. Champions Cup match in Hershey, Pa. Our team won the cup but we had no time to celebrate and off we were to St. Louis, Mo. to compete for both the U.S. Open and Amateur Cup. The results UGH winner of the Open Cup and runner up of the Amateur Cup were

mentioned in the Progress last month. A fine article about our team was in the *North East Times*. (The *Inquirer* apparently does not find amateur soccer worthy writing about even though we all know that to become a Pro, you have to be an amateur first.)

I like to focus on the last game on Sunday (final in the Amateur Cup). After playing 2 games on Friday to qualify for finals in both cups, Saturday the final in the Open Cup, our team faced their opponent on Sunday in 100 plus degree weather which was consistent the entire weekend. I was astounded in the caliber of play, team spirit and its obvious talents displayed in this game by our team. The support they gave each other realizing that only a team effort could bring them through this game. There were situations when a pass was made to a player, you could feel that mentally he was running faster than his body, but alas the 2 extra games we had to play, compared to all other teams, made it's appearance. This was not fatigue, this was total exhaustion. As the seconds ticked away in the double overtime and the final whistle blew I for one was fortunate and extremely proud to have witnessed one of the finest soccer games ever. Till the very last second our team gave their best to win even though the body said it had enough. One spectator was overheard saying that we, our fans, were complete "a. h." in the way we verbally supported our team (no foul language) and finding fault with some of the bad calls the referees made and there were plenty. This all belongs to a soccer game. Let me be an "a. h." every time I see our team perform the way they did. The most emotional moment came when we applauded our team and the entire team applauded us the fans. A Class Act, I am extremely proud to be associated with our Schuhplattler Group and our Soccer Team and wish them the best in their future.

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# GAUFEST — 1999



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIOR WOMEN ON WINNING THREE RIVERS CUP IN THE PITTSBURGH SOCCER AMATEUR OPEN TOURNAMENT

## Also Congratulations to our Senior Men who were the Runner-up in their division cup

Our Senior Women and our Senior Men participated in the Pittsburgh Soccer Amateur Open Tournament on August 15 to 19 at Turner Valley Field in Norwin, PA. Thirty seven teams were accepted in four division, Men's Open, Men's Over 30, Women's Open and Men's Over 40. This includes twenty five Western PA teams,

twelve out of state including teams from Canada, Eastern PA, Ohio, Tennessee, and West Virginia who competed for the Three River Cups.

Both our club teams made it to the final game. Our Women's team had only eleven players and therefore were unable to substitute for five games. In the final game versus Butler, PA they were still able to win. The winning goal was by Heather Allyger. CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Our Senior Men also made it to the final game playing against WFC. The game ended with a score of 2 - 2 in regulation time. As per

tournament rules the two teams were to play 1 up to 10 minute overtime (Golden Goal) period. Unfortunately the WFC team scored the first goal and therefore won the tournament. We congratulate our team for doing such a great job and with all the winnings that have been going on at our club recently, we forgot to report that the Men also won the EPSA League Champion's Soccer Cup. The final was held in Hershey on July 11th. This team has really been busy, and we look forward to a great new season for all our teams.

### Senior Women Home Schedule

- 9/19 Sun 2 PM GH Women vs. UGH Ultimates
- 10/3 Sun 12 PM GH Women vs. MTG Mustangs
- 11/17 Sun 12 PM GH Women vs. COU Blast
- 11/21 Sun 12 PM GH Women vs. Roslyn
- 12/12 Sun 2:15 PM GH Women vs. Hilltown

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